

additional arrangements that may be required to carry out the event under this resolution.

SEC. 5. APPLICABILITY OF PROHIBITIONS.

Nothing in this resolution may be construed to waive the applicability of the prohibitions established by section 4 of the Act of July 31, 1946 (40 U.S.C. 193d; 60 Stat. 718), concerning sales, displays, and solicitations on the Capitol Grounds.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. KIM) and the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TRAFICANT) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California (Mr. KIM).

Mr. KIM. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, House Concurrent Resolution 255 authorizes the use of the Capitol grounds for the 57th Annual Greater Washington Soap Box Derby qualifying races to be held on July 11, 1998, or such date as the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration jointly designate.

The resolution authorizes the activities of the Architect of the Capitol, the Capitol Police Board and the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby Association, the sponsor of the event, to negotiate the necessary arrangements for carrying out the event in complete compliance with the rules and regulations governing the use of the Capitol grounds.

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The event is open to the public and free of charge. The sponsor will assume all the responsibility for all the expenses and liabilities related to the event. In addition, sales, advertisements, and solicitations are explicitly prohibited on the Capitol grounds for this event.

The races are to take place on Constitution Avenue between Delaware Avenue and Third Street, Northwest. The participants come from Washington, DC and the surrounding communities in Virginia and Maryland, and range in ages from 9 to 16. This event is currently one of the largest races in the country, and the winners of these races will represent the Washington metropolitan area in the National race to be held on August 8, 1998 in Akron, OH.

I support the resolution and urge my colleagues to join in support.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, one of the best friends of young people 9 through 16 is the sponsor of this legislation, the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER). Not the gentleman from Texas (Mr. STENHOLM), but the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER). The people just love him and he always takes the time to not forget them, and this event is one of the most highlighted events down in our area.

This is a very good resolution and I want to commend the gentleman for what he has done in this regard.

So I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER), a friend of young people, a friend of all people, and if all the people liked the Democrats as much as they like the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER), we would be in the majority for sure.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. TRAFICANT), my friend, for those very kind remarks. I want to thank the Committee for reporting this resolution out in a timely fashion.

For the last 7 years, Mr. Speaker, I have sponsored a resolution for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby to hold its race along Constitution Avenue, as the gentleman from California (Mr. KIM) has said.

I proudly introduced H. Con. Res. 255 to permit the 57th running of the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby, which is to take place on the Capitol grounds on July 11 of this year.

This resolution authorizes the Architect of the Capitol, the Capitol Police, and the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby Association to negotiate the necessary arrangements for carrying out the running of the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby in complete compliance with rules and regulations governing the use of the Capitol grounds.

In the past, the full House has supported this resolution, once reported favorably by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. I ask my colleagues to join again with me along with the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. DAVIS); the gentlewoman from the District of Columbia (Ms. NORTON); the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. WYNN); the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. WOLF); the gentlewoman from Maryland (Mrs. MORELLA); and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. MORAN) in supporting this resolution.

From 1992 to 1997, the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby welcomed over 40 contestants which made the Washington DC race one of the largest in the country. This event has been one of the largest steps in turning the local area into a grand event for kids. Participants, as it has been said, range from 9 to 16, and hail from communities in Maryland, the District of Columbia, and Virginia. The winners of this local event will represent the Washington metropolitan area in the national race, which will be held in Akron, OH on August 8, 1998.

The Derby provides our young people with an opportunity to gain valuable skills, such as engineering and aerodynamics. Furthermore, the Derby promotes teamwork, a strong sense of accomplishment, sportsmanship, leadership and responsibility.

These are positive attributes that we should encourage children to carry into adulthood. The young people involved spend months, Mr. Speaker, preparing themselves for this race, and the day that they complete the race makes it all the more worthwhile. In addition,

this event provides parents, local residents, and tourists with a safe and enjoyable day of activities.

I hope my colleagues will support this resolution on behalf of the children and families of the Washington metropolitan area.

Mr. Speaker, this is somewhat like motherhood and apple pie, the Soap Box Derby. Young people using their talent, with an objective and goal in mind, teaching them lessons that will be good for them throughout their lives. It is young people like these contestants in the Soap Box Derby who, I might say, Mr. Speaker, are all winners, all winners for having participated, set for themselves a goal, exercised their talent and enterprise to achieve that goal, and then participate in the competition that is so much a part of life.

Mr. Speaker, I want to again thank the committee for reporting out this resolution in a timely fashion.

Mr. KIM. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, as they say on the streets, I resemble those remarks of our distinguished colleague, the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER), and I support the resolution.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HEFLEY). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. KIM) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 255, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. KIM. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on House Concurrent Resolution 255, House Concurrent Resolution 262, and House Concurrent Resolution 263.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I, the Chair will now put the question on each motion to suspend the rules on which further proceedings were postponed earlier today in the order in which that motion was entertained.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

House Resolution 423, by the yeas and nays;